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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

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TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1968)

Chairman of Council Councillor G.S. Sturgeon, J.P.
Councillor H.J.L. Harris (Chairman)
' Councillor Mrs. M. Hewson (Vice Chairman)

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Councillor J.A. Hilton
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Councillor P.H. Toy
Councillor Mrs. E.K. Winter

* Members on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

' Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

P.A. CROWLEY, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.P.H.

(also Principal Medical Officer, Kent County Council (Area No. 4); Visiting Medical Officer, Hawkenbury Hospital Isolation Wing)

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(also Assistant County Medical Officer, Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

TUNBRIDGE WELLS OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. D.E. Tebbit
Second Clerk: Mrs. A.D. Simmons
(resigned 28.7.68.)
Miss W. Holman
(appointed 12.8.68.)

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Chief Clerk: Mrs. E.M. Tibbles
Typist/Clerk: Mrs. M. Webster
(resigned 31.8.68.)
Miss V. Marsden
(appointed 4.11.68.)

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Chief Public Health Inspector:
W.J. Davies, (a and d)

Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector:
E.J. Griffiths (a and d)

Additional Public Health Inspector:
J.M. Lucas (b and d)

Meat Inspector:
P. Costema (i)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:
Miss L. Curson (resigned 19.7.68.)
Miss L. Tompsett (appointed 22.7.68.)

Rodent Operator:
R.A. Pomfret

(a) Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
(b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
(c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
(d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
(g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
(h) Diploma of Shops Acts Administration
(i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr. R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

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To the Chairman and Members of the Tonbridge Rural District Council

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for the year 1968, having taken up duties as Medical Officer of Health on the 6th January, 1969, following the retirement of Dr. P.A. Crowley on that date. From the address above it will be noted that the office of the Medical Officer of Health has moved, the transfer having taken place at the end of April, 1969.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 29,190, an increase of 700 over the mid-1967 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 538 (286 males and 252 females), compared with last year's total of 486. The crude birth rate was 18.4 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 18.9 compared with 16.9 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 297 (173 males and 124 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 10.2. The corrected death rate for the District was 8.9 compared with 11.9 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants who died under one year of age numbered 6, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 11.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.3. The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 5.6.

There were 18 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (16 males and 2 females), compared with 26 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 127. The figure included 38 measles and 57 whooping cough.

In consonance with modern conditions, there have been some legislative changes during 1968 in the notification of infectious diseases. For example, pneumonia is no longer notifiable, while infective jaundice now is.

On pages 16 and 17 of this Report figures, kindly supplied by the County Medical Officer, are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

In conclusion, I should like to express my thanks for the courtesy and co-operation I have received in the preparation of this Report.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area	41,687 acres
Population:	
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1968	29,190
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1967	28.490
Density of population: i.e. number of persons per acre	0.7
Number of inhabited houses	10,020
Rateable Value:	£1,092,410
Sum produced by a penny rate:	£4,405

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1968

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	108	288	89	52	276	287	350	1,450
		Female	118	289	93	52	241	271	297	1,361
		Total	226	577	182	104	517	558	647	2,811
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	9	16	14	3	10	11	33	96
		Female	7	25	2	4	11	20	34	103
		Total	16	41	16	7	21	31	67	199
	TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS		242	618	198	111	538	589	714	3,010
CRUDE BIRTH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968			14.7	14.2	10.9	11.3	18.4	20.4	16.3	15.9
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General			1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE			18.5	15.2	12.3	12.9	18.9	20.0	17.9	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	-	5	2	-	5	2	4	18
		Female	2	2	1	1	3	5	4	18
		Total	2	7	3	1	8	7	8	36
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	2
		Female	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	3
		Total	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	5
	TOTAL STILL BIRTHS		2	9	3	2	9	7	9	41
STILL BIRTH RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			8	14	15	18	16	12	12	13.4
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS			244	627	201	113	547	596	723	3,051

	Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year) Male	3	5	1	2	4	7	8	30
Female	3	5	1	1	2	3	3	18
Total	6	10	2	3	6	10	11	48
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:								
All infants per 1,000 live births	25	16	10	27	11	17	15	15.9
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	12.9	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	9.8	9.3
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births	12.4	11.3	0.0	9.0	5.6	10.2	7.0	8.3
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births	20	26	15	27	22	22	19	21.6
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS Male	101	187	100	65	173	145	309	1,080
Female	102	247	127	74	124	150	455	1,279
Total	203	434	227	139	297	295	764	2,359
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year population 1968	12.3	10.0	12.5	14.2	10.2	10.2	17.4	12.4
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General	0.92	1.05	0.80	0.84	0.87	0.96	0.57	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE	11.3	10.5	10.0	11.9	8.9	9.8	9.9	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	2	-	2
Other Tuberculosis	-	1	1
Bacillary Dysentery, Amoebiasis	1	-	1
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	-	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1	2	3
Malignant Neoplasm - Stomach	27	19	46
Malignant Neoplasm - Lung, Bronchus	84	18	102
Malignant Neoplasm - Breast	1	54	55
Malignant Neoplasm - Uterus	-	13	13
Leukaemia	3	4	7
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.	127	118	245
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	2	1	3
Diabetes Mellitus	3	3	6
Avitaminoses, etc.	-	1	1
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	2	2	4
Anaemias	6	4	10
Other Diseases of Blood, etc.	5	-	5
Mental Disorders	2	2	4
Meningitis	2	1	3
Other Diseases of Nervous System, etc.	8	10	18
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	14	11	25
Hypertensive Disease	23	35	58
Ischaemic Heart Disease	292	260	552
Other Forms of Heart Disease	57	107	164
Cerebrovascular Disease	104	247	351
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	46	68	114
Influenza	10	18	28
Pneumonia	73	111	184
Bronchitis and Emphysema	63	25	88
Asthma	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	10	13	23

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(Supplied by Registrar-General)
(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	3	3	2	2	2	7	3	7	3	6	6
8	1	13	7	9	2	1	1	16	2	17	3	20	2
-	4	-	11	-	5	1	1	-	6	-	8	-	19
-	2	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	-	4
-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	1
11	14	19	25	20	14	8	7	18	13	17	8	34	37
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
1	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	3	1	1	2	-	4
2	1	1	5	2	2	1	1	2	-	1	2	5	-
5	1	4	7	2	2	2	5	2	1	2	5	6	14
30	22	54	53	28	20	17	13	45	33	31	27	87	92
5	11	11	11	3	7	4	4	11	14	7	14	16	46
5	15	18	37	6	26	9	14	19	24	15	31	32	100
8	4	6	13	4	6	3	2	8	2	5	8	12	33
-	1	1	7	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	5	8
7	8	10	27	7	18	5	6	8	10	12	13	24	29
6	4	14	7	7	-	2	3	8	3	9	3	17	5
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	2	-
1	-	2	4	2	1	-	-	1	-	2	3	2	5

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Peptic Ulcer	4	8	12
Appendicitis	-	1	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	5	4	9
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Digestive System	2	8	10
Nephritis and Nephrosis	4	3	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	4	-	4
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	6	11	17
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-	1	1
Diseases of Musco-Skeletal System	1	10	11
Congenital Anomalies	9	5	14
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	7	5	12
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	5	8	13
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	14	11	25
Motor Vehicle Accidents	14	14	28
All Other Accidents	18	19	37
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	9	11	20
All Other External Causes	5	6	11
TOTALS	1,080	1,279	2,359

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tunbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	3	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	1	2	-	1	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
-	-	1	1	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	2
1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	1
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1	3	2	6
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	6
2	-	2	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	4	1
-	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	3	-	1	-
1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	2	3
1	1	1	-	-	1	4	1	2	-	1	1	5	7
-	4	3	2	1	2	-	2	5	2	2	-	3	2
-	1	2	5	-	-	-	1	5	1	6	2	5	9
-	1	1	2	2	1	-	1	1	-	1	3	4	3
2	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
101	102	187	247	100	127	65	74	173	124	145	150	309	455

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
All other accidents	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	1	2	-	-	-	3	2	1	-	-	6

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1959	-	-	1	-	7	1	4	-	1	1	13	2
1960	-	-	-	-	7	2	3	1	1	2	11	5
1961	-	-	-	-	7	2	3	-	-	-	10	2
1962	-	-	-	-	7	-	3	-	2	-	12	-
1963	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	2	3	1	12	5
1964	-	-	-	-	4	1	3	-	3	1	10	2
1965	-	-	-	-	4	2	4	2	2	-	10	4
1966	-	-	1	1	6	1	4	1	1	1	12	4
1967	1	-	1	1	4	2	7	4	4	2	17	9
1968	-	-	1	-	6	1	8	-	1	1	16	2
TOTALS	1	-	4	2	53	14	47	10	18	9	123	35

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	11	-	1	-	1	2	7	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	57	3	1	8	13	5	19	1	1	3	2	1
Measles	38	1	6	5	9	7	5	-	4	1	-	-
Dysentery	9	1	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	3	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis												
Pulmonary	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
TOTALS	127	5	10	13	25	14	33	1	7	9	5	5

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	1	-	4	-	1	-	-	3	1	1	-	-	11
Whooping Cough	10	4	1	1	-	-	2	1	2	20	10	6	57
Measles	2	4	2	-	5	6	3	9	5	2	-	-	38
Dysentery	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	9
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Meningitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	3
Acute Encephalitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tetanus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3
Leprosy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leptospirosis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cholera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yellow Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Relapsing Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis													
Pulmonary	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
TOTALS	22	8	8	2	10	7	6	13	10	23	11	7	127

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	99	13	65	14	191
Cases added	-	1	3	1	5
Cases removed	2	-	2	-	4
Cases remaining	97	14	66	15	192

NUMBER OF DEATHS AND DEATH RATES FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths	Rate per 1000		TOTAL
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths		Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
1959	16	3	1	-	3	0.12	0.00	0.12
*1960	9	-	1	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
1961	9	3	1	-	3	0.12	0.00	0.12
1962	5	1	3	-	1	0.04	0.00	0.04
1963	4	-	-	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
*1964	6	1	1	-	1	0.04	0.00	0.04
1965	4	-	2	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00
*1966	7	3	-	-	3	0.11	0.00	0.11
1967	6	1	1	-	1	0.04	0.00	0.04
*1968	2	-	2	-	-	0.00	0.00	0.00

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

The following tables give the vaccination and immunisation figures for the District for 1968, based on the returns submitted to the Department of Health and Social Security.

Diphtheria with Tetanus and Whooping Cough

Year of Birth	PRIMARY IMMUNISATION		REINFORCING	
	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus	Diphtheria/ Tetanus/ Whooping Cough	Diphtheria/ Tetanus
1968	214	1	-	-
1967	247	2	12	2
1966	15	-	140	60
1965	3	-	84	51
1964	1	-	18	21
1961/1963	4	1	60	349
1952/1960	1	6	9	24
TOTALS	485	10	323	507

Measles

Year of Birth	Primary Immunisation	Reinforcing
1968	5	-
1967	57	-
1966	53	-
1965	74	-
1964	76	-
1961/1963	200	-
1952/1960	-	-
TOTAL	465	-

Poliomyelitis

Year of Birth	Primary Vaccination	Reinforcing
1968	111	-
1967	348	-
1966	57	-
1965	19	-
1964	7	28
1961/1963	-	461
1952/1960	-	9
TOTALS	542	498

Smallpox

Primary Vaccination 1 year	Re-Vaccination School age but under 8 years
310	11

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during the year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during the year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of the year	1	-	30	30

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Home during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - Section 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr. A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year thirteen medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes.

International Vaccination Certificates

There is an increasing demand for the authentication of doctors' signatures on International Vaccination Certificates. In connection with international travel, follow-up of persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates is carried out by the Medical Officer of Health when notified by the Port Health Authority of their port of entry.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT

provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at 86a, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. Telephone number Tunbridge Wells 23222.

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr. G.H. Foster,
Kent County Council District Office,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells. Tel. No. Tunbridge Wells 23342

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser - Miss L. McEwan,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23342

District Domestic Help Organiser - Mrs. J. Gill,
Registrar of Births & Deaths Office,
Avebury Avenue, Tonbridge
Tel. Tonbridge 2561

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Mrs. Colbourne	Miss Kell
Mrs. Garnett	Miss Ridley
Miss Howard	Mrs. Watson
Mrs. Jones	

Training Centre

Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough — Tel. Hildenborough 3028

Old People's Homes

Oakhurst, Hildenborough — Tel. Weald 310

Hardwick, Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough — Tel. Hildenborough 2092

Child Welfare Centres and Clinics

Centre	Service	Day and Time
Bidborough, Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.
Brenchley, Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Fri. P.M.
Capel, Congregational Hall, Five Oak Green	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Fri. P.M.
Hadlow, Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.
Hildenborough, Village Hall	Child Welfare	Tues. P.M.
Horsmonden, Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.
Lamberhurst, Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Thurs. P.M.
Langton Green, Watson Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Fri. P.M.
Paddock Wood, St. Andrew's Church Hall	Child Welfare Immunisation and Vaccination	Thurs. A.M. & P.M. 1st Wed. P.M.
Paddock Wood, Secondary School (Tel. Paddock Wood 199)	Dental	Alt.Tues. A.M. & P.M.
Pembury, Church Institute, Lower Green	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:
Orpington Hospital, Orpington
Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Oak Lane Hospital, Sevenoaks
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

Address	Days	Times
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	All day
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (females)	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
	Tuesday (males)	11 a.m. to 12 noon

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

The position with regard to water supplies continues to be as in previous years, the Mid Kent Water Company supplying water to the majority of the premises in the District, the remainder being supplied by the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, the Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking and the Mid Sussex Water Company. In addition, about 180 premises received piped supplies from private sources.

Supplies during the year were sufficient and the quality generally satisfactory, though a few consumers on a private estate at Horsmonden were troubled with excessive amounts of iron in their supplies. The Mid Kent Water Company have been actively engaged in rectifying the faults in the distribution system in this area.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of samples	Satis-factory	Not satis-factory	No. of samples	Satis-factory	Not satis-factory
Statutory supply undertakings	22	22	-	3	3	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	4	4	-	1	1	-
Other private sources	-	-	-	-	-	-

In Tonbridge Rural District 99% of the houses are supplied with piped water from public mains.

During the year the following mains extensions were carried out:-

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

A total of 64 yards of mains extensions were carried out within the Company's Statutory Area.

The Mid Kent Water Company

The Company laid 89 yards of 3" mains in Capel, and now supply 6,101 properties in the District.

The Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking

A small number of mains extensions were carried out to serve housing development.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

Mr. G.L. Plastow, the Engineer and Surveyor, has kindly supplied the undermentioned information:-

Works carried out during 1968

(a) Pembury

Work continued during the year on the new sewage treatment works to serve Pembury and most major units were completed and in operation by the end of the year.

(b) Lamberhurst

One of the humus tanks on the Lamberhurst works was converted into a "Banks" Pebble Clarifier with a resultant improvement in the effluent discharging to the River Teise.

(c) Stone Court Lane, Pembury

A new surface water sewer was laid in Stone Court Lane, Pembury, to improve surface drainage and to make provision for a future Council housing estate.

(d) Sewer Connections

The Council instituted a system of aiding the connection of existing properties to sewers laid by private developers subsequently adopted as public sewers and in cases where financial restrictions had precluded connection of properties along the line of new sewers laid by the Council.

Two property owners in Horsmonden have so far taken advantage of this scheme and have received financial assistance.

(e) Works carried out by Private Developers

The Council also adopted soil and surface water sewers laid by private developers to serve new housing estates.

Future Programme

(a) Matfield, Brenchley and Horsmonden Regional Scheme

Ministry approval was received for this regional scheme, which includes the treatment of sewage from areas of Maidstone and Cranbrook Rural District Councils, and it is hoped to start work on this scheme in the autumn of 1969.

A further approach was made to the Ministry to extend this scheme to include areas to the south west of Matfield, but the Ministry's Inspector felt this could not be allowed to proceed at the present time.

(b) Hadlow

No progress was made during the year on this scheme which includes an extension of the Hadlow sewage treatment works and the sewerage of Golden Green and Barnes Street.

(c) Hildenborough

The Ministry Inquiry was held in September, and subsequent approval was granted for the scheme to pump sewage from the whole of Hildenborough to Tonbridge Urban District Council's works for treatment. It is hoped to start on this scheme in the spring of 1969.

(d) Speldhurst

The scheme outlined in last year's report for providing main drainage for properties in the Blower's Hill area of Speldhurst was severely pruned by the Ministry, although the pumping station and sewer to serve new development is to be provided early in 1969.

(e) Capel

The rapid development in Five Oak Green has overloaded the pumping station which passes sewage to Paddock Wood for treatment and,until alternative arrangements can be made,applications for planning permission for development in this area are being refused.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

The Council have decided to discontinue the use of side-loading vehicles for refuse collection in order to improve the service. Refuse disposal has continued by controlled tipping at sites in Brenchley and Horsmonden. Difficulties have arisen as the result of pollution to streams and proximity to roads. Consideration has been given to the adoption of more sophisticated methods of disposal in conjunction with neighbouring authorities.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	1
Number of school swimming pools	11
Number of private swimming pools	6
Number of visits made during the year	25
Number of samples taken:	
Satisfactory	8
Unsatisfactory	-

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated		374
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year		4,020
Informal Notices:	Served during the year	215
	Complied with during the year	175
Statutory Notices:	Served during the year	6
	Complied with during the year	
	(a) by owners	6
	(b) by Local Authority in default ...	-
Legal proceedings taken during the year		1

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	1,231
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	332
Visits to Food Premises	371
Visits re Food Complaints	42
Swimming Pools	25
Factories Act, 1961	127
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	106
Shops Act, 1950/65	176
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	61
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	27
Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	20
Pet Animals Act, 1951	1
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	19
Hop Pickers' Camps	49
Caravan Sites	167
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	10
Noise Abatement	42
Infectious Disease Visits	103
Slaughterhouses	890
Water Supply	69
Miscellaneous	152

Legal proceedings were taken against a firm, under Section 108 of The Food and Drugs Act, 1955, for a contravention of Section 2 of The Food and Drugs Act, 1955 (foreign matter in bread). The firm was found guilty of the offence and fined £20 with £5. 5s. 0d. costs.

6. Hop Pickers' Camps

Number of camps in the District	Approx. 38 occupie or partly occupied
Number of huts in the District	Approx. 2,500
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	2,500
Number of inspections of hop pickers' camps during 1968 ...	49

Hop-picking was interrupted by abnormally wet weather and flooding occurred in some low lying parts of the District. Many pickers were evacuated from their camps and forced to return home. Inspections of camps were discontinued as all the officers concerned were engaged on flood relief work.

7. Disinfestation

The following infestations were dealt with:-

Ants 31; Flies 3; Cockroaches 6; Wasps 10; Bees 18; Fleas 5; Grain Beetles 1; Carpet Beetles 1; Beetles 5; Weevils 2; Moles 1; Furniture Mite 2; Clover Mite 1; Red Mite 1; Squirrels 3;

8. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON-AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in District	10,940	506
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	360	5
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	285	4
(ii) Mice	87	1
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	166	30
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	194	104
(ii) Mice	6	28

SEWERS

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year but no infestations were found.

ANNUAL CONTRACTS

The Council have annual contracts for the treatment of a number of business and agricultural premises. The value of these contracts amounts to £260. 8s. 0d. per annum.

9. Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises ... ... Nil

10. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises 7

Number of inspections made during the year 27

11. Agriculture (Safety & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made 20

12. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed ... ... Nil

Number of visits made 1

(visit of enquiry into alleged sale of pet animals)

13. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed 7

Number of visits made 19

14. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered 9

15. Clean Air Act, 1956

A complaint was received regarding the emission of dark smoke from commercial premises. This was found to be due to a defective burner and the fault was rectified without delay.

Other investigations concerned garden bonfires causing nuisance to neighbours.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	3	3	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	81	106	21	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	18	18	2	-
Total	102	127	23	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were institute
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	Referred By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	1	1	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	14	10	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	5	3	-	-	-
Total	21	14	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT

OUTWORK

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served	Prosecutions
Wearing Apparel Making, etc.	4	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	9	26	14
Retail Shops	18	104	48
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	5	7	6
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	1	12	7
Fuel storage depots	1	3	-
Totals	34	152	75

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 95

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contravention	No. found	Section	Contravention	No. found
4	Cleanliness	-	13	Sitting facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (sedentary workers)	-
6	Temperature	-	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	-	16	Floors, passages & stairs	1
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	1
9	Sanitary Conveniences	1	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	-	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accommodation	1	24	First Aid General Provisions	7
				Total	11

All registered premises in the District have received a detailed inspection, and a system of regular routine re-inspections is now being carried out.

There has been no serious contraventions of the Act noted, but there has been some difficulty in getting the occupiers of small family businesses, employing only one or two staff, to provide the necessary information for employees. Some difficulty is also being experienced in employers notifying the Council in the change of circumstances but such re-registration is usually obtained at the time of a visit.

There has been a considerable amount of light industrial and commercial development taking place in one parish and new occupiers have not been registering their premises before occupation. This has led to some difficulty in getting minor works carried out (i.e., additional wash basins - hot water supply) because of the reluctance of the occupier to spend money after the premises have come into operation and of having to get workmen back to the premises.

As far as possible advice is given to developers about the installation of facilities in business premises but without knowing who might take up the lease on the property it is difficult to enforce the developer to instal anything other than the minimum facilities required under the Act.

No complaints have been received from employees regarding working conditions during the year.

(C) Exemptions — Number of applications received ... ... Nil

Number of applications granted ... ... Nil

(D) Prosecutions — Number instituted and completed during the year Nil

(E) Reported Accidents

Number received during the year ... ... Nil

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notices:

	Section 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By owner	-	6	80	4	80	10
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	-	6	80	4	80	10

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of (i)	Undertakingsaccepted (Section 16)	13
(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	-
(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	2
(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	-
(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	6
(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	2
(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders ...	-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during the year	Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Standard

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	18	27
(ii)	Number of applications approved	17	22
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	15	16
		£ s d	
(v)	Amount paid in grants	5,650. 0. 0.	
(vi)	Average grant per house	182. 5. 1.	
(vii)	Amenities provided (a) fixed bath	26	
	(b) shower	-	
	(c) wash hand basin	29	
	(d) hot water supply (to any fittings)	30	
	(e) water closet (1) within dwelling	27	
	(2) accessible from dwelling	-	
	(f) food store	22	

(2) Discretionary

		Owner/Occupiers	Tenanted
(i)	Number of applications received	-	11
(ii)	Number of applications approved	-	11
(iii)	Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv)	Number of dwellings improved	1	10

		£	s	d
(v)	Amount paid in grants	2,923.	0.	0.
(vi)	Average grant per house	365.	7.	6.

(E) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

(1) Number of Areas (a) Surveyed ... ... Nil

(b) Declared ... ... Nil

(2) Dwellings outside Improvement Area

(i)	Number of representations made by tenants	3
(ii)	Number of preliminary notices served	4
(iii)	Number of undertakings accepted	-
(iv)	Number of immediate improvement notices served ...	2
(v)	Number of such dwellings improved	
	(a) full standard	-
	(b) reduced standard	-

(F) Houses in Multiple Occupation

No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Land Charge Enquiries

Information is submitted to the Clerk concerning properties where statutory or informal action under the Public Health or Housing Acts has been taken, also matters relating to action taken under the Rent Act, 1957.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1968)

Number of site licences issued	5
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	44
Number of sites licensed for Movable Dwellings (other than caravans)	1 *

* This site is located at Castle Fields, Ashurst. Six portable buildings are in use as temporary accommodation by anglers at weekends between 1st April to 1st October.

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in the District ... ... Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors	... ...	41
Number of registered dairies	- Wholesale	
	Retail	-

Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	11	-
Pasteurised	-	-
Sterilised	-	-

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered	(a)	for the manufacture of ice cream ...	Nil
	(b)	for the sale of ice cream	100

Results of samples taken:

Grade 1	92
Grade 2	4
Grade 3	2
Grade 4	-

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

Classification	Number on Register
Cooked Meats	18
Manufacture of Sausages	18

4. Slaughterhouses

Number in District 3

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	1,925	207	155	23,654	25,994	-
Number inspected	1,925	207	155	23,654	25,994	-
All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci						
Whole carcases condemned	-	1	5	6	23	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	329	15	3	2,095	4,476	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	17.10	7.73	5.16	12.68	17.31	-
Tuberculosis only						
Whole carcases condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cysticercosis						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	11	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	11	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

There was an increase of 10% throughput on the previous year.

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year 7

Number of new licences issued during the year 1

5. Food Premises subject to The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

Category of Trade	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg.16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (provision of sinks, etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Cafes, restaurants, canteens	41	41	41	41
Bakehouses	4	4	4	4
Butchers	18	18	18	18
Grocers and Provision Merchants	75	75	75	74
Confectioners	10	10	10	10
Licensed Premises	59	59	59	59
Fishmongers and Fried Fish Shops	1	1	1	1
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	8	8	8	8
Food Stalls and Vehicles	2	2	2	2

Major improvements were commenced at one bakehouse to provide a larger working area and modern equipment. Works to remedy minor defects noted in the course of routine inspection have been carried out at eight premises. One butcher's shop has been closed and the business transferred to a newly built premises.

Routine inspections have been carried out on the two vehicles operating from within the District and minor contraventions have been remedied. In addition, inspections are made on other mobile food vehicles found in the District.

Two premises at Paddock Wood, previously engaged on food packing, have now developed into food factories.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Tonbridge Rural District during the year ended 31st December, 1968

	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
Milk	34	-
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats cheese (including processed cheese)...	5	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes	7	1
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals ...	13	1
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials	1	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies	3	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	2	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	11	-
Drugs, medicines	8	-
Ice cream	1	-
Beer, wines, spirits	6	1
Miscellaneous	5	-
	96	3

Unsatisfactory Samples

Demarara Rum

Spirit content below that stated on plastic label on optic. Enquiries revealed label applied only to Channel Islands. Distillers contacted.

Potted Beef with Butter

Low in butter fat content. Follow-up sample satisfactory.

Baby Rice

Organo chlorine pesticides detected and traces of Aldrin. Follow-up samples satisfactory. Manufacturer notified of findings.

7. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District ... ... Nil

8. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Meat	14	4	3	19	-
Tinned Food	-	-	1	11	-
Other Food	125	7	2	3	-

All meat condemned at the slaughterhouse is coloured with an approved dye before removal for rendering into animal feed or fertiliser. All the other condemned foods are taken to the Council's refuse dump for burial.

The large quantity of other food referred to above was condemned in fruit grading factories in the District. The fruit and vegetables were mainly from imported consignments and condemnation certificates were issued for the various quantities rejected as unfit for human consumption.

9. Food Poisoning

Two cases of food poisoning were notified during the year. The infection in one case was due to Salmonella Panama, and the causative organism in the other case was Salmonella Typhi-murium.